

**In the Specification:**

On page 2, please replace the following paragraph:

For a commercial food operation in any facility, the installation of a food service automation system is disruptive, both operationally and economically. For traditional automation solutions, the average implementation time is about nine months to one year, with larger facilities easily taking eighteen months or more. A factor in the length of time needed for implementation, particularly in a health care facility, is the need to build food, diet type, nutrition and menu databases specific to the site (or organization) so that specific dietary requirements and restrictions as prescribed by the physician community may be met while providing patients with substantial variety and flexibility in their meals. The cost of these systems, typically \$60,000 to \$500,000, has created a market that is only suited for medium to large facilities. Because of the combination of the entry costs, both economic and operational, commercial food service automation systems typically focus on medium to large facilities, which are more likely to have the resources to absorb these costs.